

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees
May 10, 2015
Regular Meeting Minutes
112 N. Broad St.
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Vincent Battista, Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton, Trustee Molly Reilly and Trustee Vance Waggoner. Also present, Treasurer Jim Yuhas. Absent: Trustee Daniel Frechette.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting were approved as written in a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

MAYORS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2015 was received from DANC and will be mailed to consumers. The target date for mailing is May 13, 2016.

A letter was received from NYS on a series of public sessions for the “Clean Energy Standard” mandates. The monthly DANC report was received.

OLD BUSINESS

The Municipal Solar Project contract proposal was expected last week but was not received for review.

The Waterfront Feasibility Study update, the open grant’s status, and the report on the possible uses of the Union Hotel were all tabled until the next meeting due to Dave Altieri’s absence.

Trustee Reilly presented a new Resident Guide for review that she has been working on that incorporates Village and County information with community organization’s information for volunteer interest.

Village Engineer, Kris Dimmick provided an update on the two major construction projects. The contractors are working on preliminary schedules. A pre-construction conference will be organized when the information is received from the contractors. Trustee Reilly believes the sidewalks and Market Square Park are of concern to residents.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to public comment at 6:46 pm.

Todd Farrington spoke regarding the contract the Village had with the Town of Hounsfield for the use of the Third Alarm Building. He would like to move forward to meet with Trustee Boulton to review the contract that expired four years ago.

Public comment was closed at 6:48 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

The LDC is expected to consider the use of 3 acres of the former AFMC remediated property for the location of a solar array at their June meeting.

The Trustees were invited to take part in the Memorial Day parade on May 30 to start at 10:30 am, meet at 10:15 am.

On Sat. June 4, 2016 at 1:00 pm The Sackets Harbor Battlefield State Historic Site will dedicate the site History Trail at the picnic pavilion off Hill St.

There was a request from the Town of Hounsfield for an inter-municipal agreement to install Water District #7. This was tabled until the next meeting because the information was received just this afternoon.

An application was received for the annual SpokerRide bicycle race/ride. It will start and end at the corner of Bayard and W. Washington Streets on July 30. They will also need approval from the Town. A motion to approve the event as proposed was made by Trustee Boulton and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Boulton has been meeting to review the water law and would like to include Lonny Reinhardt now that he has returned.

Trustee Boulton reported that the Hay Memorial Library will be holding their poetry contest awards ceremony at the Village Hall on Saturday May 7th. They will also use the Village Hall on May 14th for a fundraiser with Wilson Stevenson. An upcoming event at the Library will be a presentation given by Connie Barone on her recent trip to Cuba.

Trustee Reilly said that the teenagers in the Village have been profoundly impacted by Butch Coseo's death and thinks it is a testament to him. She would like to have the Board interview applicants for his position by the June meeting.

The CanAm Committee is still seeking sponsors for the event. If anyone is interested, please contact Cheryl Payne.

Trustee Reilly met with the Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee in April and took part in the Arbor Day Celebration. A tree was planted in honor of Charlie Wardwell.

She attended the May 3rd Chamber of Commerce meeting and reports that they are having a program "Business is Brewing" sponsored by Tea Thyme and the Sackets Harbor Coffee Roasters on May 19th from 6-8 pm. They are also bringing local literature to the Thousand Island Brochure Swap on May 18th. The Chamber sponsored Village-wide garage sale is scheduled for May 28th. They would like to request that the Village lift the open container law for the Can-Am evening hours.

Trustee Reilly also met with Dave Altieri.

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Trustee Waggoner reported that he had met with John Madlin from the DPW and Mayor Battista to review the Village Water law regarding the replacement of water meters.

He had a tour of the sewer system with John Madlin.

Trustee Waggoner spent time on April 22 cleaning the trash from around the Village sign on the corner of E. Main and Rt. 3.

His work on compiling the old Board Resolutions and the procurement policy is ongoing.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim Yuhas reported that the Village received payment for last year's re-levied bills from Jefferson County. He reviewed the income from the month and the cash flow. A motion to accept the report and pay the monthly bills listed on abstract #12 with vouchers #918 through #1020 for a total of \$137,467.09, was made by Trustee Reilly and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

A motion was made to accept the \$57,528.83 re-levies of the water bills and mowing charges to the June taxes by Trustee Waggoner and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

A motion to collect the Village taxes and approve the \$424,818.83 Tax Warrant was made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

A year-end meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 4:30 pm to pay bills and any other business as necessary.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

DPW, Lonny Reinhardt reported that the Village-wide clean-up is this week. The plants will be picked up on 5/26 for Main Street. Patriot Pride day has been rescheduled for Thursday due to the weather predicted for Friday. He reported that he had resumes for the part time position the DPW has open for the summer and would like to hire one. The Board would like to follow the hiring policy and have the position advertised. It was reported then that there is a part time position open at the Visitor's Center and Maggie Waggoner had been interviewed by the Mayor and Gail Gorgen for it.

Visitor's Center Manager, Gail Gorgen – Nothing to add.

Village Engineer, Kris Dimmick – They have been working on a survey of the water piping in Madison Barracks. The infrastructure work was not done by the Village, and the Barracks would not have been part of the public domain in the GPS system by DANC.

Village Police, Ed Coseo – Wanted to thank the Village for everyone's support of his family on the death of his father. He would like to see a permanent Officer in Charge appointed soon, due to the busy season ramping up. The department is down 2 positions due to another officer's resignation. They have received an application from someone that is interested. They have been having some vehicle maintenance done.

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Planning Board, Chair Janet Quinn – Reported that there are no new applications for the May meeting. The Mayor would like the ZEO to be made aware that some of the zoning permits issued have expired and were not completed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was opened to public comment at 7:25 pm but there were no comments.

Mayor Battista made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:26 pm to discuss possible litigation.

During the Executive Session there was no action taken by formal vote.

The regular session was reopened at 8:03. Mayor Battista announced that the executive session was called to discuss the threat of potential litigation between the owner of the Brew Pub and the Village. To protect the Village interests, the Mayor will be consulting the Village Attorney.

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Waggoner and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton at 8:04 pm. Vote: 4 ayes (Battista, Boulton, Reilly and Waggoner), 0 nays.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Peggy Kelly
Village Clerk